

STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
Monthly Meeting, March 4th, 2013
Quality Inn & Suites Starlite Village Conference Center, 2601 East 13th St, Ames, IA 50010

Tentative Agenda for **March 4th, p.m. immediately following Water Conference adjournment at 6:30 p.m. in the hotel conference room.**

Call Meeting to Order

Adopt Agenda

Approval of Minutes from the January 22nd, meeting

Bureau Chief Reports

Field Services - Sitzmann

Mines & Minerals - Coffelt

Water Resources - Coffelt

Director's Report – Gillespie

Partner Reports

Natural Resource Conservation Service – Mar

Iowa Department of Natural Resources – Hopkins

Conservation Districts of Iowa - Lindahl

Iowa State Extension - Lawrence

Engineers – Shanahan

Leopold Center – Farnham: **does not meet until 3/12/13

Old Business

Regional Meetings

Summer Tour (tour sites)

- **Bob Lynch's farm – Ag Drainage Wells and photos of sites assuming everything has been covered over... Bob has been taking pictures.**
- Gilmore City research site – long ways from everywhere else, we just had a good overview during a recent meeting.
- **Tour through Gypsum mine/plant. I think Todd has this contact already secured?**
- Webster County Conservation Board has an Ag Drainage Well that is protected by permanent prairie buffer around it.
- Lyon's Creek NE of Webster City – LOTS of testing and emphasis on the area, partnerships with TNC and Iowa Soybean, NRCS, plus more. Long ways from everywhere else.
- **Smeltzer Trust Learning Farm – field tour to see all the conservation practices installed along the creek and more. Near Otho. I have alerted the trustees that we are coming to “reserve” their people mover and a staff person.**
- **Dolliver Memorial Park – dinner and relaxing.**
- I have the lunch caterer lined up, but not the dinner at Dolliver park. I figure I can pick up the lunches and we haul it in the bus and eat where ever it's best to do so with bathrooms.
- **Lizard Lake**

Discuss ISAC meeting – SSCC invited to present for one hour at Fall meeting.

New Business

Soil Loss Limit tentative approval – **Wright County**
2013 Soil & Water Conservation Week

Vacancies in the Office of SWCD Commissioner

- Vacancy:
 - Clayton SWCD: Accept the resignation of Lorna Troester, effective January 8, 2013. Accept the recommendation for appointment of Gerry Ommen to fill that vacancy until the next general election November, 2014.
 - West Pott SWCD: Accept the resignation of Erica Bonkowsky-Montefusco, effective January 17, 2013. Accept the recommendation of Rose E. Brown to fill the unexpired term of Erica Bonkowsky-Montefusco.
 - Warren SWCD: vacancy due to resignation of Harold Whipple, 2012.

SSCC Member Reports

- SSCC meetings represented and potential travel requests

Future Meetings

Spring Regionals:

Mar. 11th -Reg. 9, Ottumwa 10-2pm
Reg. 7, Johnson 4-8pm

Mar. 12th - Reg. 4, Delaware 10-2pm
Reg. 3, Howard 4-8pm

Mar. 13th – Reg. 6, Boone 10-2pm

March 5th – 2012 Iowa Water Conference, Scheman Continuing Ed. Bldg., Room TBA, Ames,
Quality Inn & Suites Starlite
Located: 2601 East 13th St, Ames, Iowa 50010

April 4 Thursday 10:00 a.m. Wallace Building
9:00 a.m. for a sub-committee meeting if needed

April 28th – May 5th, 2013 – 2013 Soil & Water Conservation Week

May 2nd Thursday 10:00 a.m. Wallace Building
9:00 a.m. for a sub-committee meeting if needed

June 11 & 12 State Committee/CDI tour & meeting, Tour, Tuesday, 11th
CDI/SSCC Joint Meeting 8:00 a.m.
Regular SSCC meeting after 8:00 a.m. on June 12th, TBD
Rooms may be reserved under: Iowa Department of Agriculture

Adjournment